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Electricity Fair Returns to the Folsom Powerhouse State Historic Park

FOLSOM, Calif. - The Folsom Powerhouse State Historic Park is hosting the 4th Annual Electricity Fair on Saturday, September 12, 2015, highlighting one of the world's oldest hydroelectric facilities. The Electricity Fair is an interactive family celebration that will feature a variety of exhibits and demonstrations intended to highlight this extraordinary state historic park.

The Electricity Fair runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will feature interactive electromagnetism projects and experiments by the Electricity Guy; a scavenger hunt; face painting; interactive science projects such as building an energy circuit, simple motor cars and many more; a variety of electric vehicles will be on display. Explore the many exhibits and interactive displays inside the visitor center; and enjoy docent guided tours of the Historic Main Powerhouse, Lower Powerhouse and water canal system.

"We are very excited for the return of this event. The Folsom Powerhouse State Historic Park is an incredible park that showcases one of California's historic gems," State Park Superintendent Richard Preston said. "This family event not only highlights this incredible park and how hydroelectric power was sent 22 miles to Sacramento on July 13, 1895, it also presents today's energy saving technologies through interactive displays and activities."

The Friends of the Folsom Powerhouse Association will be selling refreshments on-site. Proceeds from the sales benefit the Powerhouse State Historic Park through continued interpretive and educational programs.

Admission to the park and the event are free. Limited parking is available. Additional parking is available in the City of Folsom lots on Scott Street.

The Electricity Fair is presented in partnership with California State Parks, Friends of the Folsom Powerhouse Association, Friends of Lakes Folsom and Natoma, SMUD, PG&E, American River Education Center and SacEV.org.



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